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## LOCAL BREVITIES.

Lincoln's Birthday will be celebrated next Friday, Feb. 12th.

The third and last Assembly of the Common Club will be held in Central Hall to-night.

A pool tournament is in progress at Moulter's billiard parlors on Glenwood Ave.

The reports of business men traveling in the west do not bode a flourishing state of trade in that direction.

The Subscription Play will be held in Central Hall on Monday, Feb. 22d, instead of Wednesday, the 24th inst.

J. P. Saydam, a former resident of Bloomfield, is reported seriously ill at his home in Woodside.

The King's Daughters of the Baptist Church are preparing for an entertainment to be given in the near future.

The engagement is announced of Miss Maggie Bauer and August Fredericks, both of Bloomfield.

Thomas Oakes & Co., have purchased 1100 bales of Australian wool. Under the Wilson bill wool is on the free list.

The engagement of Eugene Le Roy Cadmus, of the firm of Ogden & Cadmus, and Miss Goodwin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is announced.

The letter carriers of all second class Post Offices will hold a Convention at No. 31 Day Street, Orange, next Friday afternoon, Feb. 12.

Miss Edith Spencer celebrated her birthday at her home No. 19 Linden Ave., on Wednesday night, with a reception and dance.

The officers-elect of Bloomfield Division No. 7, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will be installed next Monday night.

Mrs. Ashley celebrated the eighty-second anniversary of her birth on Monday night at her home on Glenwood Avenue. A large company of people were present to offer congratulations.

Mrs. Thomas Oakes has issued invitations for a reception and dance to young people to take place at Oakside next Wednesday, February 10th.

At the regular meeting of Bloomfield Building and Loan Association next Monday night, shares in the new series opened one month ago, may be taken at the par value.

The Bloomfield Building and Loan Association will meet next Monday night, at No. 27 Broad Street. There will be money to loan.

Joseph P. Vogt, of Maple street, has purchased the property No. 118 Montgomery Ave., from the Westminster Church Society. The price paid was \$2500.

The Executive Committee of the New Jersey State Agricultural Society met on Tuesday and decided to hold a fair from Monday, Sept. 5th, to Labor Day, Sept. 10th, inclusive. It was also decided to make a one-third mile bicycle track.

The examination of Dr. George T. Sherwood, who is locked up in the Hudson County Jail on the charge of swindling widows in the West by means of fraudulent insurance policies, will take place in Jersey City to-day. Sherwood was arrested in Passaic. He operated in Bloomfield a few months ago.

Olive Branch Lodge No. 51, I. O. O. F., will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on Monday evening, February 15th, at their lodge room in Central Building. All who have ever been members are cordially invited to participate in the anniversary.

Members of the Ladies' Vocal Club of Glen Ridge have issued invitations to their reception to be given on the evening of February 12th in Central Hall. Mrs. Roger Newton Arms, Mrs. Charles Stegert Campbell, Mrs. H. Crittenden Harris, Mrs. Edward P. Hall, Mrs. Allan Nichols and Mrs. Talbot Rock are the patronesses. Dancing will be in order.

Meeting of the Young Men's League Saturday evening, February 6th, in the school room of the First Baptist Church. Prof. F. W. Hewes, of East Orange, will deliver an address on "Sund." Meeting open to all young men.

There was a good attendance, considering the weather, on Tuesday night at the regular session of Eureka Lodge, Knights of Pythias. The rank of Page was conferred upon a stranger. The rank of Esquire will be conferred next Tuesday night.

About twenty members of the Second Ward Republican Club have the election on Tuesday night to attend the regular meeting of the club. The new by-laws were adopted, which each member is requested to sign. Plans for the new club house were accepted and the specifications ordered. The New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad Company have withdrawn their notice for the club to move.

Assemblyman C. W. Powers created quite a stir in the House of Assembly at Trenton on Monday night when he introduced: "An act to authorize municipal corporations to sell and convey and to change the use of land and real estate for special purposes." This bill is the one intended to permit a sterilizing plant on the almshouse property in Newark.

Salvation Army.

Capt. Minnie Bryant and Lieut. Anna Schwartz farrowed from Bloomfield next Sunday evening. Tuesday evening will be the last meeting in which they take charge. Recruits are to be sworn in and a coffee supper after the meeting. The new officers will probably be on hand Wednesday evening.

Samuel H. Grover, of White Plains, N. Y., has purchased the hardware business formerly conducted by the late Samuel Peloubet.

We call the attention of our readers to Mr. Grover's special announcement in our advertising columns this week.

Mr. Grover has had a long experience as a buyer in the wholesale hardware business in New York and is very well and favorably known there. He is apparently able and determined to give us an attractive store and his efforts should be abundantly seconded by our people who will, no doubt, appreciate the advantage of finding what they need at the right prices at our local store.

The congregation of the Park M. E. Church has extended a call to the Rev. J. G. Johnson, D. D., of Port Richmond, Staten Island, and he has accepted the call. The conference will meet in April. Rev. K. M. Aylworth has accepted a call to the Simpson M. E. Church, Jersey City. A delegation from the Park Church went to Port Richmond a few weeks ago, to hear the Rev. Mr. Johnson and were favorably impressed with his preaching.

The alarm from box 34, located at the corner of Bloomfield and Ridgewood Avenues, Glen Ridge, at 2 P. M. Monday, was false. The department responded promptly but could find no cause for the alarm. Sup't. Larkin of the fire alarm system, with officer Brown began an investigation. The alarm was sounded from the whistle located on the New York Aristotype Co's plant, at the west end of the Borough and not from the bell on Heron street. A piece of insulated wire was found on Washington Avenue with which electric alarm was sent in by some expert electrician. Officer Brown reported the facts to the Borough Council at their meeting on Monday night.

The Presbyterian King's Daughters will give a tea in the Parish House, evening following Lincoln's birthday. Great pains are being taken to make it a profitable occasion to all who attend. As the silver offering will be devoted to the assistance of a colored woman, the entertainment will savor as much as possible of the "land of cotton."

An exhibition of the Projectoscope will be given in Leech's Hall, Montclair, tonight and to-morrow. The projectoscope will be for the purpose of illustrating the Mountaineer Hospital. Some of the pictures are: Newark Fire Department, going to a fire and scene at fire, West Point Cavalry Charge, Black Diamond Express on Lehigh Valley Railroad, Watermelon Eating Contest, (in colors) Mounted Police Charge at Central Park, Niagara Falls and Whirlpool Rapids, and many others. Admission twenty-five cents to each exhibition.

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Hospital.

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Realizing the exigency of the times and the great need of money to carry on their work, which increases year by year in usefulness, they make this effort to add to a somewhat diminished treasury, owing to the loss of several faithful contributors. The Governors have taken a just pride in the knowledge that during the six years of the hospital's existence the income has exceeded the expenditures. To lessen the expenditure would be to diminish the amount of good done and the treatment given, therefore they feel that they must do what they can to increase the income for the coming year, and trust that the friends of the hospital will show their appreciation of their efforts by their presence on the evening of the reception and dance, enjoying a pleasant evening and helping a cause surely well to the hearts of all. Tickets fifty cents. Fuller particulars in next week's issue.

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L. A. W. Notes.

The New Jersey Division member's but one and a half for 1897 is out. The colors are royal purple and gold. The design selected by Chairman Harry Trippett, of the Recruiting Committee, is deservedly commended.

A bill is promised to require convicts to be put to work on public roads. This should be done. New Jersey should follow New York in forever stopping convict competition with free labor. That was finally ordained by New York's new constitution, which became operative January 1. The Prison Commissioners tried to find indoor occupations for the prisoners but failed, and this week several of its members have publicly declared for road work. -Kearney Republican.

The Bloomfield Press says: "The Kerr and Martin Cycle Company will move this spring from their present stand in Newark, at 876 Broad street, to new and more commodious quarters at 876 Broad street."

Wonder how this can be done? But perhaps K. & M. have discovered the philosopher's stone, which will allow them to occupy two stores at one place.

There is no need of dwelling upon the advantages of "Good Roads." Such advantages are conceded by even the least progressive citizen, and practically everybody is in favor of the improvement. -Kearney Republican.

Join the L. A. W. and help the cause of "Good Roads." Application blanks at our place. -Kearney Republican.

The production of bicycles in 1895 was 200,000, as against 11,000 in 1885. The capital invested is \$20,000,000. The estimated output for the present is not less than 1,000,000. The Commission of Public Works of New Jersey asks: "What let us get out of the road?"

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He has a Reason.

"He really doesn't want to be famous."

"That's what he says."

"Do you believe it?"

"Well, yes. I know him pretty well, and I know it's a matter of conscience with him."

"I don't believe I quite follow you."

"Why, he wouldn't like to feel that he was even indirectly responsible for the death of a famous man after his death." -Chicago Post.

Hoped.

The dry goods merchant was explaining the situation to the new drummer he had just employed.

"Your predecessor," he said, "has gotten his business all tangled up, and if you take his place you will have a difficult task getting order out of chaos."

"I don't know who Chaos is," cheerfully replied the drummer, "but I bet I'll sell him a bill of goods if I have to hang on to him a week." -Detroit Free Press.

If we were to choose the most appropriate symbol of the fleeting, the evanescent, the perishable, the decaying, the here today and gone tomorrow, perhaps it would be a pair of boy's boots.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Containing in the Post Office at Bloomfield, N. J., for the ending, Feb. 5, 1897.

Baldwin, Chas. H. Dashi Mrs. Edw. L. Della, J. J. Kress, Geo. H. Langmuir, Mr. F. Murphy, John. DASHBUTT, FRANK D. DAILY.

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ON A LOW PLANE.

Japanese Commercial Morality held to be Below Par.

It has long been known to those who had dealing with the Japanese that commercial morality in Japan stands almost on the lowest plane possible to a civilized people. With few exceptions even those Japanese who prove estimable and high minded in all other matters are not so by nature in business transactions.

In Japan the man who falls to take advantage of his neighbor in a bargain is looked upon as a fool. The explanation of this state of things given by Robert Young, who edits a Kobe paper, is that merchants in Japan have hitherto occupied the lowest rung on the social ladder, being looked inferior to the tillers of the soil and but little above the pariah class.

Up to a comparatively recent period trade was but another name for trickery and the pursuit of commerce was held to argue a lack of integrity.

With changed commercial conditions this low standard seems to have relaxed somewhat, but the Japanese trader is always thinking how he can "beat" the foreigner, and he will not sell his engagements if by so doing he is likely to suffer loss.

Mr. Young gives cogent reasons for believing that the misdeeds of subjects will lose the foreign customer's trust who have gained their trade of commercial morals is naturally rapidly improved.

Already Japanese consuls have reported that the country's foreign trade is seriously injured by merchants who send abroad tales that will not strike, rice that is not up to sample and stuffs the only merit of which is cheapness.

Guides have been formed to introduce better methods of business, but they have not wrought much improvement, and the situation cannot be radically changed so long as there is no public opinion to support the application of morality to business.

At present the ordinary Japanese trader has no conception, and until he acquires one the export trade of Japan in the markets of the world is not likely to be worthy of serious consideration.

A FATHERLY ASSURANCE.

The Old Gentleman Was No Languish, but He Knew Life.

Mr. Currier's son was studying his Latin lesson. There was the tremolo of discouragement in his voice as he remarked:

"It seems to me to go along with this lesson very well, father."

"Yes, I can say 'amo, amas, amat,' then I always forget what comes next."

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Church Notices.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. James Beveridge, Pastor.

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Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. J. A. Cook,